## The City of Frederick, Maryland PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

## Minutes of February 12, 2013

(Approved 3/12/2013)

Members Present: J. Baldi, K. Wagester, J. Grove, J. Myers, R. Fox, D. Rivera, M. Lawrence, C.

Meierhoefer

Staff Present: R. Myers, M. O'Connor

Regrets: K. Winterstein, R. Knight

Meeting called to order by J. Baldi at 7:00 p.m.

1. Review of the January 8, 2013 minutes:

Motion by R. Fox to approve the minutes as submitted  $2^{nd}$  by J. Grove All in favor.

- 2. Review and discussion of a request by The Kate Koogler Canine Cancer Fund Inc to serve alcohol at their September 28, 2013 "Dining For Dogs" event at the Carroll Creek Urban Park Amphitheater. Dr. Teresa Koogler of the Fund stated:
  - They are a 501c3 non-profit that raises money for bone cancer research in dogs and people;
  - Black Tie event with local chefs preparing meals, promoting locally grown products along with locally produced beer and wine and local businesses;
  - R. Myers inquired if Dr. Koogler has been informed of the Frederick County Liquor License requirements; she confirmed she is aware of the requirements but cannot apply until thirty (30) days prior to the actual event.

*Motion* by J. Grove to recommend to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to allow alcohol to be served at The Kate Koogler Canine Cancer Fund Inc.'s "Dining For Dogs" event at the Carroll Creek Urban Park Amphitheater;

 $2^{nd}$  J. Myers

ALL in favor.

- 3. Review and discussion of a request by the Downtown Frederick Partnership to waive fees for their 2013 "Alive @ 5" happy hour events at the Carroll Creek Urban Park Amphitheater. Mr. Eli Roth of the Partnership stated:
  - For the first year they are expanding to sixteen (16) shows between May 16 and September 5 except for July 4;
  - Waiving fees would save the Partnership about \$3,000;
  - Tents provided stay up throughout the entire season at the Partnership's cost with this year through the end of September. Letter of support from the Frederick County Public Library was also provided;
  - Free yoga classes are also planned on being offered on these dates in the mornings as well.
  - Largest non-profit fundraising event of the year with all funds raised will be recycled back into the community.
  - J. Grove stated that while always being supportive of these events, there are many other worthy causes holding events and paying fees. It is difficult at best to waive fees for one group without entertaining requests from other groups to waive fees. Mr. Roth stated he is aware of this fact, but there is a

Memorandum of Understanding with the City that most other groups do not. J. Baldi stated that while the Partnership has a unique relationship with the City, there are still costs involved in using this area. R. Myers further offered that there is a cost to set up and cleanup for these events and this is a way to recoup some of these costs as in years past. Mr. Roth reiterated that previous years have been a total of thirteen (13) events and this year there are sixteen (16). Further discussion centered on how funds are utilized throughout the City and the previous year's waiver requests.

*Motion* by J. Baldi to waive six (6) of sixteen (16) events at the DFP's "Alive @ 5" events at the Carroll Creek Urban Park Amphitheater;  $2^{nd}$  R. Fox *ALL in favor*.

- 4. Review and discussion of a request by the Frederick Adult Co-Ed Kickball Association to serve alcohol at their July 13, 2013 "8<sup>th</sup> Annual JoAnn Garrett Classic" event at Carroll Creek Urban Park Amphitheater. Mr. Jason Mecler was not present.
  - J. Baldi stated to review as there is enough information to render a recommendation. This is not their first request and the Commission is aware of the event.

*Motion* by J. Grove to recommend to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to allow alcohol to be served at the July 13, 2013 "8<sup>th</sup> Annual JoAnn Garrett Classic" event at the Carroll Creek Urban Park Amphitheater; 2<sup>nd</sup> C. Meierhoefer *ALL in favor*.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi A. Winterstein Commission Secretary